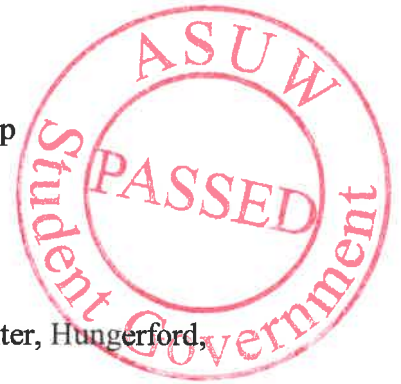


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**SENATE BILL #2599**

**TITLE:** Changes to the ASUW Senate Membership  
**DATE INTRODUCED:** February 20, 2018  
**AUTHOR:** Chief of Staff Thomson-Lichty  
**SPONSORS:** President Wetzel; Senator Blazovich, Gunter, Hungerford, Kennedy, Mueller, and Westlake

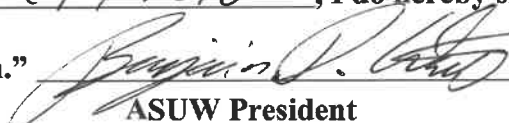


1. WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) Student Government to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible
3. through accurate representation; and,
4. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming (UW) currently has two sole degree-granting
5. programs: the Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources (Haub School) and the
6. School of Energy Resources (SER), and;
7. WHEREAS, it is possible for a student to earn a degree solely from the Haub School or the
8. SER without a second major, meaning that these students are not represented in any of UW's
9. seven colleges; and,
10. WHEREAS, the current method for determining the allocation of ASUW Senate seats leaves
11. students in these programs completely unrepresented on the ASUW Senate; and,
12. WHEREAS, introducing a variable to the equation for determining the allocation of ASUW
13. Senate seats, rather than a specific number, will ensure flexibility in the case that another
14. UW program is given degree-granting status in the future; and,
15. WHEREAS, the 104<sup>th</sup> ASUW Administration added an ASUW Senate seat for the Haub
16. School in the 2017 Election process by simply calculating the equation differently; and,
17. WHEREAS, the process to change this seat allocation method requires a Constitutional

18. amendment, making it impossible to change in advance of the ASUW Elections; and,
19. WHEREAS, correcting this mistake and the misrepresentation of students is of the utmost
20. importance to the ASUW mission.
21. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
22. (ASUW) Student Government that the ASUW By-Laws, Article II, Section 7 be amended to
23. reflect the changes contained in Addendum A, and;
24. THEREFORE, be it further enacted by the ASUW Student Government that the 2018
25. General Elections Ballot include the changes to Article VI of the ASUW Constitution as a
26. referendum vote; and,
27. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that Senate Bill #2599 be effective upon approval by the
28. University of Wyoming Board of Trustees.

Referred to: Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy

Date of Passage: 2/27/2018 Signed:   
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018, I do hereby sign my name hereto and  
approve this Senate action.”   
ASUW President

**Addendum A**

**THE BY-LAWS  
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING**



**ARTICLE II  
Legislative Branch**

Section 7. Membership in the ASUW Senate shall consist of:

- A. Thirty-two (32) elected Senators apportioned using Droops's method as outlined below with two (2) Senators representing the sole degree-granting programs, and in accordance with Article 6, Section 1 of the ASUW Constitution.
- i. Each of the University's ~~eight (8)~~ colleges and sole degree-granting programs is allocated one (1) ~~student senator~~ ASUW Senate Seat.
  - ii. The remaining ~~twenty-two (22) senators~~ ASUW Senate Seat shall be allocated to those colleges and sole degree-granting programs with more than one-thirty second (1/32) of the total fee paying University students using Droops's method as follows.

- a. Compute the natural quota for each college students using the Droop formula, as shown below.

formula:  $NQ = \frac{(x+2)E}{T}$  where

$x$  = the number of ASUW Senate seats

$NQ$  = a college or sole degree-granting program's natural quota

$E$  = the number of fee paying students enrolled in that college or sole degree-granting program

$T$  = the total number of fee-paying students enrolled in those colleges or sole degree-granting programs.

Senate Seats allocated in steps 1. and 2.

- b. Allocate to each college without more than one-thirty second of the total fee paying University students one Senate seat.
  - c. Allocate to each college with more than one-thirty second (1/32) of the total fee paying University students a number of student senators equal to the whole number portion of their natural quotas.
  - d. If all ~~twenty-two (22) student senators~~ ASUW Senate Seats are not allocated in the previous step the remaining student senators are allocated one by one in order to the colleges with the largest fractional portions in their natural quotas.
- iii. The total allocation for each college is the sum of the ~~student senators~~ ASUW Senate.

## Addendum B

# THE CONSTITUTION ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

## ARTICLE VI ASUW Legislative Branch

The Legislative Branch of the ASUW shall consist of the ASUW Vice President, a student senate, which shall be made up of the student senators annually elected by the ASUW membership, and Freshman Senate Ex-Officio. All legislative powers of the ASUW shall be vested in the ASUW Student Senate.

Section 1. The ASUW Student Senate shall include thirty two (32) elected Senators. This body shall be constituted in accordance with the following provisions:

- A. Each of the University's ~~seven (7)~~ colleges and sole degree-granting programs shall have at least one (1) student senator; and
- B. The remaining ~~twenty-three (23) senators~~ ASUW Senate seats shall be allocated to those colleges and sole degree-granting programs with more than one-thirty second ( $1/32$ ) of the total full-fee paying University students. This allocation shall be done in exact relation to the percentage of such students who are enrolled in the college; and
- C. All calculations will be based upon the enrollment in the colleges during the semester prior to the general election.